

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 – 5 (cancelled).

6 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of the ~~called~~ party ~~when calling up being called~~ as claimed in claim 9, wherein contents of the text data are displayed on a display during the transmission.

7 – 8 (cancelled).

9 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of a ~~called~~ party ~~when calling up being called~~ comprising the steps of:

receiving a signal sent from a base station corresponding to a response of the called party to a call setup operation from a key-input section of a cellular phone;
retrieving reading out text data stored in a memory;
converting the text data into audio data at a text-to-speech converter;
transmitting the converted audio data to the called party via a radio transmitter/receiver;

automatically terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the audio data is completed,

designating reproduction ~~readout~~ of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal ~~signals~~ from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;

indicating completion of the transmission on the display after the transmission of the converted audio data is finished;

retrieving ~~reading~~ ~~out~~ another item of text data stored in the memory and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter while retaining the call;

converting the text data into audio data at the text-to-speech converter for transmittal to the called party continuously; and

sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver in succession.

10 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of a called party ~~when calling up~~ being called comprising the steps of:

receiving a signal sent from a base station corresponding to a response of the called party to a call setup operation from a key-input section of a cellular phone;

retrieving ~~reading~~ ~~out~~ text data stored in a memory;

converting the text data into audio data at a text-to-speech converter;

transmitting the converted audio data to the called party via a radio transmitter/receiver;

automatically terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the audio data is completed;

displaying contents of the text data on a display during the transmission;
designating reproduction ~~readout~~ of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal ~~signals~~ from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;
indicating completion of the transmission on the display after the transmission of the converted audio data is finished;
retrieving ~~reading~~ ~~out~~ another item of text data stored in the memory and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter while retaining the call;
converting the text data into audio data at the text-to-speech converter for transmittal to the called party continuously; and
sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver in succession.

11 – 15 (cancelled).

16 (previously presented). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 19, further including a means for displaying contents of the text data on a display during the transmission.

17 – 18 (cancelled).

19 (currently amended). A cellular phone comprising:

a key-input section for inputting a telephone number when making a phone call, a text-entry and settings for respective functions;
a radio transmitter/receiver for communicating with a base station by radio;
memories for storing inputted character data as text data;
a text-to-speech converter for converting the text data into audio data;
a controller which includes: a means for originating a call of a telephone number when the telephone number and a call up setup are inputted from the key-input section, a

means for retrieving reading out the text data stored in one of the memories on receipt of a signal sent from the base station corresponding to a response of a called party to the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, a means for sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver, and a means for terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the converted audio data is completed;

a means for designating reproduction the readout of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;

either/both of the memories store plural items of text data; and

the controller further includes: a means for indicating completion of transmission on the display every time one of the plural items of text data has been converted into audio data and transmitted, a means for retrieving reading out another item of text data stored in one of the memories while retaining the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, and a means for continuously sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver.

20 (currently amended). A cellular phone comprising:

a key-input section for inputting a telephone number when making a phone call, a text-entry and settings for respective functions;

a radio transmitter/receiver for communicating with a base station by radio;

memories for storing inputted character data as text data;

a text-to-speech converter for converting the text data into audio data;

a controller which includes: a means for originating a call of a telephone number when the telephone number and a call up setup are inputted from the key-input section, a means for retrieving reading out the text data stored in one of the memories on receipt of a signal sent from the base station corresponding to a response of a called party to the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, and a means for sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver;

a means for terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the converted audio data is completed;

a means for displaying contents of the text data on a display during the transmission;

a means for designating reproduction ~~the readout~~ of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;

either/both of the memories store plural items of text data; and

the controller further includes: a means for indicating completion of transmission on the display every time one of the plural items of text data has been converted into audio data and transmitted, a means for retrieving reading out another item of text data stored in one of the memories while retaining the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, and a means for continuously sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver.

21 (currently amended). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 19, further including a means for designating the number and order of the text data to be retrieved ~~read-out~~ and transmitted to the radio transmitter/receiver in succession.

22 (currently amended). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 20, further including a means for designating the number and order of the text data to be retrieved ~~read-out~~ and transmitted to the radio transmitter/receiver in succession.

23 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of the other ~~a party when calling up being called,~~ comprising the steps of:

receiving a signal sent from a base station corresponding to a response of the other party to a call setup operation from a key-input section of a cellular phone;

retrieving ~~reading-out~~ text data stored in a memory;

converting the text data into audio data at a text-to-speech converter in the cellular phone;

transmitting the converted audio data to the other party via a radio transmitter/receiver; ~~and~~

automatically terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the audio data is completed;

designating reproduction of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;

indicating completion of the transmission on the display after the transmission of the converted audio data is finished;

retrieving another item of text data stored in the memory and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter while retaining the call;
converting the text data into audio data at the text-to-speech converter for transmittal to the called party continuously; and
sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver in succession.

24 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of the other party ~~when calling up being called~~ as claimed in claim 23, wherein contents of the text data are displayed on a display during the transmission.

25 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of the other party ~~when calling up being called~~ as claimed in claim 23, wherein the retrieving readout of the text data can be designated during the call including the point of time of reception.

26 (currently amended). An automatic sound transmitting method of a cellular phone in acknowledgment of a response of the other party ~~when calling up being called~~ as claimed in claim 24, wherein the retrieving readout of the text data can be designated during the call including the point of time of reception.

27 (currently amended). A cellular phone comprising:

a key-input section for inputting a telephone number when making a phone call, a text-entry and settings for respective functions;

a radio transmitter/receiver for communicating with a base station by radio;

memories for storing inputted character data as text data;

a text-to-speech converter for converting the text data into audio data in the cellular

phone; and

a controller which includes: a means for originating a call of a telephone number when the telephone number and a call up setup are inputted from the key-input section, a means for retrieving reading out the text data stored in one of the memories on receipt of a signal sent from the base station corresponding to a response of the other party to the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, a means for sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver, and a means for terminating the call or disconnecting after the transmission of the converted audio data is completed;

a means for designating reproduction of the text data during a prescribed period of time after the cellular phone receives a connection signal from the base station in response to an answer by the called party;

either/both of the memories store plural items of text data; and
the controller further includes: a means for indicating completion of transmission on the display every time one of the plural items of text data has been converted into audio data and transmitted, a means for retrieving another item of text data stored in one of the memories while retaining the call and supplying the text data to the text-to-speech converter in order to convert the text data to audio data, and a means for continuously sending the converted audio data to the radio transmitter/receiver.

28 (previously presented). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 27, further including a means for displaying contents of the text data on a display during the transmission.

29 (currently amended). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 27, further including a means for designating the retrieving readout of the text data during the call including the point of time of reception.

30 (currently amended). A cellular phone as claimed in claim 28, further including a means for designating the retrieving readout of the text data during the call including the point of time of reception.